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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 4 of the Specification with the following rewritten paragraphs:

-- The present application claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/224,107, filed August 9, 2000.

The present application is related to PCT Application No. PCT/US00/13706, filed May 17, 2000, now abandoned, which claims priority from U.S. Patent No. 6,264,650, issued July 24, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 6,203,542, issued March 20, 2001, and U.S. Patent Nos. 6,063,079 and 6,159,208, issued May 16, 2000 and December 12, 2000, respectively, each of which are continuation-in-parts of U.S. Patent No. 6,109,268 issued August 29, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 5,697,281, issued December 16, 1997, the complete disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

The present application is also related to U.S. Patent No. 6,277,112 issued August 21, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 5,902,272, issued May 11, 1999, the complete disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

The present application is also related to commonly assigned U.S. Patent No. 6,179,836, issued January 30, 2001; U.S. Patent No. 6,045,532, issued April 4, 2000; U.S. Patent No. 6,142,992, issued November 7, 2000; U.S. Patent No. 6,149,620 issued November 21, 2000; U.S. Patent No. 6,620,155 issued September 16, 2003; U.S. Patent No. 6,363,937 issued April 2, 2002; U.S. Patent No. 6,190,381 issued February 20, 2001; U.S. Patent No. 6,355,032 issued March 12, 2002; U.S. Patent No. 6,210,402 issued April 3, 2001; U.S. Patent No. 6,159,194 issued December 12, 2000; U.S. Patent 5,873,855 issued February 23, 1999; U.S. Patent No. 5,843,019 issued December 1, 1998; and PCT International Application, U.S. National Phase Serial No. PCT/US94/05168, filed on May 10, 1994, now abandoned; now U.S. Patent No. 5,697,909 issued December 16, 1997, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 5,366,443 issued November 22, 1994, which was a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No.

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07/817,575, filed on January 7, 1992, now abandoned, the complete disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

The present application is also related to commonly assigned U.S. Patent No. 5,697,882, filed November 22, 1995, the complete disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.--